

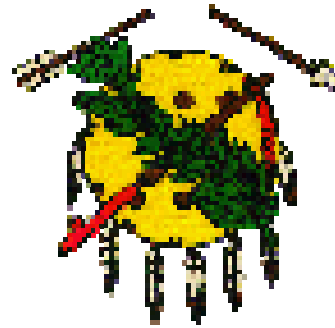
Our Leaders for Tomorrow Can Be Heard Today!

Our Mission Statement:

To provide an opportunity for the youth of Broken Arrow to acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for the American political system through active participation in that system.

Commitment:

In order for the Youth City Council of Broken Arrow to be successful, the Mayor and members of the City Council have committed to take a personal interest in the program. An appointed City official will be assigned to serve as a liaison between the adult City Council and the Youth City Council.



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2002-2003 YCC Mayor Wampler and YCC Vice Mayor Tuller participating in Vision 2025



City of Broken Arrow

Youth City Council



Learning How Your City Works

Broken Arrow Youth City Council

Membership:

Youth City Council members shall be appointed by the Broken Arrow City Council from their respected wards through an application process. To be eligible for selection, you must be:

- **A resident of the City of Broken Arrow**
- **A junior in high school**
- **Maintain at least a 2.5 GPA**
- **Fulfill the responsibilities of the office held**
- **Set a proper example for the youth of Broken Arrow**



Objectives:

- To provide service and leadership opportunities for the youth of the City of Broken Arrow.
- To instill a feeling of positive self-worth and esteem, to teach teamwork and respect for the rights and property of others, to promote community pride and to eliminate potential negative influences among our future community leaders.
- To assist youth in learning to identify needs, to organize activities and to participate with their adult counterparts in city programs.
- To become aware of community leaders and their concerns, and to gain an understanding of the issues, research process, politics and media influence that goes into city government involvement.
- To identify community opportunities and problems.
- To learn to set priorities for action and examine alternatives for best solutions.
- To become more involved in the democratic process.
- To allow youth to make a difference through their participation and contributions to city government and in service to the people of the City of Broken Arrow.
- To promote youth involvement and leadership in all areas of the City.



Curriculum:

1. Orientation

- Meet with City Council and City Manager
- Staff responsibilities
- Past, current and future issues
- Media effect and involvement
- Tour City facilities

2. Tour City Departments

- Police and Fire
- Public Works
- Parks and Recreation

3. Shadowing of City Officials

- Mentor
- "Day Job"
- Various Boards, Committees
- Public Presentations

4. Attend Public Meetings

- Board of Adjustment
- Planning Commission
- City Council

5. Mock City Council Meeting

- Serve as a Council Member
- Address Key Issues
- Prepare Report for City Council

